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DOCTOR WHO. 'The Mutants' Episode Two.CAST:

DOCTOR WHO  
JO GRANT  
KY  
VARAN  
THE MARSHAL  
PROFESSOR JAEGER  
STUBBS  
COTTON  
EXIT GUARD  
SKYBASE GUARD  
VARAN'S SON

NON-SPEAKING  
SKYBASE GUARDS  
GUARDS ON SOLOS

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SETS:

SKYBASE: Marshal's Office  
Transfer Station  
Cubicle  
Jaeger's Lab.  
Storage Section  
Corridors  
Storage Areas

SOLOS: Transfer Station  
Cubicle  
Ext/Guardroom

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TELECINE:

Country Outside Perimeter Fence.  
General Countryside for Pursuit.  
Cavemouth to Mineshaft.  
Mineshaft.

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TELECINE 1:

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Titles:

END TELECINE 1.

1. INT SKYBASE CORRIDOR. DAY.

(REPRISE ...)

MARSHAL: Go on - shoot you fools!

(DOCTOR WHO AND COTTON  
ALSO REACH THE SCENE)

DOCTOR WHO: No! You can't!

(A MOMENTS HESITATION  
BY THE GUARDS, THEN ...)

MARSHAL: I said fire!

(THE GUARDS FIRE.

THE CUBICLE DISINTEGRATES  
IN A CLOUD OF SMOKE AND  
SHATTERED GLASS.

THE SMOKE CLEARS.

KY AND JO ARE NO  
LONGER THERE)

Alert all ground stations - (TO  
DOCTOR) Your friend won't get  
far without a mask....

2. INT. SOLOS TRANSFER STATION. DAY

(KY AND JO MATERIALISE IN THE CUBICLE.  
THEY EMERGE, ARGUING.)

(THE 'HAVE YOU GOT YOUR CYMASK?'  
SIGN VERY PROMINENT....)

KY: But you must have a mask. All  
Overlords carry masks -

JO: How many more times? I tell  
you I'm not an Overlord -

(NO SCENE 3. ONE TO SCENE 4)

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4. INT. CORRIDOR B. SOLOS TRANSFER STATION. DAY

(A GUARD ON SOME KIND OF TELEPHONE)

MARSHAL'S VOICE (DISTORT): I want both of them! Do I make myself clear?

GUARD: Sir!

(THE GUARD REPLACES THE TELEPHONE PICKS UP HIS BLASTER AND HURRIES OUT..... ALARM HOOTERS BEGIN TO BLARE OUT)

5. INT. CUBICLE DAY.

KY: Don't you see? While it's daylight - the atmosphere outside this cubicle is poisonous to you. N. Overlord can exist for more than a few hours without a mask!

JO: I didn't know...What am I going to do?

KY: You must stay here - I shall make a run for it,

JO: No. I'm coming with you.

KY: I warn you. My life is more important than yours...to Solos... to my people...I cannot stop to help you.

JO: I'm coming with you.

KY: I tell you - (BREAKING OFF)  
Ssh! Guards!

(KY AND JO DUCK INTO A CONCEALMENT BEHIND THE CUBICLE.  
CUT TO A GUARD COMING ALONG THE CORRIDOR. HIS POV JUST THE CUBICLES. NO SIGN OF JO AND KY.  
SUSPICIOUS AND ALERT THE GUARD ADVANCES. HE MOVES CLOSER TO THE CUBICLES. PEERS ROUND, AND SEES JO CROUCHING IN AN ANGLE BETWEEN THE CUBICLE AND WALL. HE REACHES TO HAUL HER UP. KY APPEARS BEHIND THE GUARD, KNOCKS HIM DOWN. KY GRABS JO'S HAND AND THEY RUN OFF. THE GUARD BEGINS TO STRUGGLE TO HIS FEET.)

KY: Come on!

6. INT. CORRIDOR TO EXIT. SOLOS  
TRANSFER STATION. DAY

(KY AND JO RUN DOWN THE PASSAGE TO THE EXIT...MILITARY SIGNS EVERYWHERE  
'HAVE YOU GOT YOUR OXYMASK?')

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('CAUTION: YOU ARE ENTERING A NITRO AREA' ETC.)

KY: How do you feel?

(JO IS ALREADY PANTING AND DISTRESSED)

JO: Fine - just fine.

(A BURST OF FIRE FROM THE PURSUING GUARD)

KY: Hurry then -

(HE STRUGGLES TO OPEN THE DOOR BEFORE THE GUARD CAN REACH THEM. IT OPENS AND HE AND JO RUSH OUT, JUST AS THE GUARD APPEARS BEHIND THEM)

7. INT. SKYBASE. MARSHAL'S OFFICE. DAY

(JUST THE MARSHAL, DOCTOR WHO AND THE BCX.

THE MARSHAL REPLACING THE 'PHONE' ... ANGRILY)

DR.WHO: Bad news?

MARSHAL: For you, for your friend Doctor. They have escaped onto the surface of Solos.

DOCTOR WHO: Ah!

MARSHAL: ... still without a mask ...  
Oh never fear, we shall find her,  
Doctor. Or her body ...

DOCTOR WHO: Kindly explain that  
remark, sir.

MARSHAL: During the hours of daylight  
no human can survive on Solos without  
an oxymask. The soil contains a  
nitrogen isotope, unknown on earth.  
The ultra-violet rays of the sun  
produce a kind of poisonous mist.

DOCTOR WHO: How poisonous?

MARSHAL: (CONSULTING HIS WATCH)  
I give your friend an hour, possibly  
less depending on how fast they are  
travelling ... I could of course step  
up the search -

DOCTOR WHO: (ANGRIILY) Then I suggest  
you do so immediately!

MARSHAL: Or I could call the search  
off altogether. Let them escape.

DOCTOR WHO: Let her die? You can't  
do that.

MARSHAL: I can do as I please, Doctor.  
Since the unfortunate assassination  
of the Administrator, Solos is under  
Martial Law. My law.

DOCTOR WHO: How very convenient.  
Well, are you going to search for  
Miss Grant?

MARSHAL: It depends on you, Doctor.

DOCTOR WHO: Does it?

MARSHAL: You said the box was intended for Ky.

DOCTOR WHO: Apparently.

KARSHAL: Then I want to know what's in it. Before he does.

DOCTOR WHO: I'm sorry. That would be completely unethical.

MARSHAL: Then I shall be forced to recall my men. We're stretched very thin here on Skybase, Doctor. So many demands on my recourses ...

DOCTOR WHO: Very well ... I can try and open it. I shall need your most advanced laboratory facilities.

(THE MARSHAL NODS;  
PICKS UP THE 'PHONE!')

MARSHAL: Intensify the search ... every available man ...

TELECINE 2:

Ext. Country. Day.

JO and KY moving away from the wire perimeter fence.

JO and KY further into the countryside still running along a path ...

JO now beginning to show signs of strain and stress ...  
JO falling further behind, gasping and gulping for air ... falling to the ground ...

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KY stops, hears sounds of pursuit ...

KY: Come on. They're after us ...

KY and JO start running.  
Soon JO begins to show  
the effects of the exertion.  
She begins to stumble,

STUBBS and COTTON and the  
EXIT GUARD in pursuit;  
STUBBS takes a beeper  
reading.

STUBBS: That way ... Funny ...

Another look at the  
beeper.

STUBBS: Only one now. Only one trace  
registering ...

KY, half carrying, half  
dragging the unconscious  
JO into the depths of the  
jungle ...

END TELECINE 2.

8. INT. SKYBASE, JAEGER'S LABORATORY.  
DAY.

(A METEOROGLOGICAL  
LABORATORY - THE MARSHAL  
AND DOCTOR WHO WALKING  
UP AND DOWN.

THE MARSHAL RATHER  
PROUD OF THE SET-UP,  
COMMISSAR-FASHION ...)

MARSHAL: Well?

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DOCTOR WHO: Adequate. Not quite what I hoped for but adequate.

MARSHAL: What do you mean? This is the finest laboratory -

DOCTOR WHO: I was rather looking for a particle reversal set-up - to turn the box inside out so to speak - but all this ... stuff ... seems to be geared to atmosphere modulation -

(THE MARSHAL IS IMPRESSED  
DESPITE HIMSELF.  
DOCTOR WHO DEFTLY  
TWIDDLES A FEW CONTROLS ...)

This circuits about to overload for a start! What is it? Weather control?

MARSHAL: (NEW RESPECT) Yes ... something like that - tell me Doctor -

(BEFORE HE CAN COMPLETE  
HIS QUESTION, JAEGER  
BURSTS IN - HE IS  
FURIOUS)

JAEGER: What the blazes is going on in - oh it's you, Marshal. My apologies - but there was tampering .. with one of the circuits.

DOCTOR WHO: Yes I'm afraid it was me - I'm sorry, I didn't realise it was operational. Still, you were about to overload you know.

JAEGER: Marshal - I must insist! The experiment has reached a critical stage - I am working here against time and alone, and - with respect - I cannot afford to have you or anyone else interfering with it whenever you feel like laying on some stupid guided tour.

MARSHAL: Jaeger, that's enough.

JAEGER: You place me in full control and then -

MARSHAL: (WARNINGLY) Now, Jaeger ...

JAEGER: You give full priority to atmospheric regeneration, then expect me to -

MARSHAL: Jaeger!

(JAEGER SUBSIDES)

For the moment I want you to give full priority to this little problem here.

(INDICATING THE BOX)

JAEGER: What? A box? Who is this man?

MARSHAL: An emissary, from Earth ... or so he claims ...

(THE MARSHAL'S BLEEPER SIGNALS: HE LISTENS TO IT BRIEFLY)

Good. Keep him there ...

(TO JAEGER AND DOCTOR WHO:)

Gentlemen, I regret I cannot stay ... the assassination you understand ... a man has been detained. I'll keep you informed about Miss Grant, Doctor - and you'll keep me informed about your progress. Won't you?

(A CURT NOD AND OFF HE GOES ...)

TELECINE 3:

Ext, Country. Day.

KY comes into view  
carrying JO. He listens  
... she is still breathing  
but only just ... the bleeps  
of the pursuing guards  
still close behind ...  
He hurries on ...

KY hides JO in some bushes.

The EXIT GUARDS moving one  
way, STUBBS and COTTON going  
another ... The EXIT GUARD  
being tracked and felled by  
KY ... KY rips off the man's  
face-mask ...

END TELECINE 3.

9. INT. SKYBASE. MARSHAL'S OFFICE. DAY.

(THE MARSHAL ENTERING  
TO FIND VARAN'S SON  
WAITING.)

THE MARSHAL DISMISSES  
(THE GUARDS)

MARSHAL: Greetings, Son of Varan.

VARAN'S SON: Why have I been brought  
here a prisoner. It was upon your  
orders that I killed the Administrator.  
You said he was an enemy of our people

MARSHAL: You have done well.

(HE HOLDS OUT HIS HAND  
FOR THE DART GUN.)

VARAN'S SON HANDS  
IT OVER)

And now for your reward -

## 10. INT. SKYBASE. CORRIDOR. DAY.

(V.RAN, FURIOUS, STRIDING  
TOWARDS THE ENTRANCE TO  
THE CONFERENCE HALL . . .)

## 11. INT. SKYBASE. MARSHAL'S OFFICE. DAY.

MARSHAL: Amusing little device . . .  
works perfectly eh?

(CASUALLY HE POINTS IT  
AS V.RAN'S SON . . .  
C.J. ON V.RAN'S SON'S  
FACE . . .

PFFT! )

12. INT. SKYBASE, ENTRANCE TO MARSHAL'S  
OFFICE. DAY.

(V.RAN CONFRONTING A  
GUARD WHO BARS HIS  
WAY: )

V.RAN: My son has been accused of  
murder! Let me pass - I must see him  
. . . Let me pass I said.

(HE FEELS THE GUARD  
AND BURSTS THROUGH  
THE DOORS)

13. INT. SKYBASE MARSHAL'S OFFICE. DAY.

(VARAN SEES THE  
MARSHAL, THE BODY  
OF HIS SON ...)

VARAN: So -

MARSHAL: My regrets Varan. First the administrator, and now - an attempt to kill me. He was in league with Ky.

VARAN: You lie! You ordered us to kill the administrator!

(HE STARTS TO RUSH  
AT THE MARSHAL, STOPS  
AS THE MARSHAL RAISES  
THE CAMERA GUN)

MARSHAL: Others will believe me -

(VARAN THROWS HIMSELF  
SIDeways AS THE DART  
FEETS TOWARDS HIM ...)

VARAN THROWS A PIECE  
OF FURNITURE AT THE  
MARSHAL ... IT DEFLECTS  
HIS AIM, AND VARAN GETS  
OUT THROUGH THE DOOR)

(ON INTERCOM) Attention. This is the Marshal speaking.

13A. INT. SKYBASE. CORRIDOR.

(CUTS TO VARAN RUNNING...  
VARIOUS GUARDS LISTENING  
...ETC)

MARSHAL: (OOV. FILTER) The Solonian  
Varan has gone mutant. He is at  
large on Skybase ... he is dangerous  
and must be dealt with immediately,

13B. INT. SKYBASE, MARSHAL'S OFFICE.

(THE MARSHAL PRESSES  
ANOTHER SWITCH ON  
THE INTERCOM:)

Calling Solos. Stubbs and Cotton -  
come in ...

TELECINE 4:

Ext. Country Day.

STUBBS and COTTON have  
discovered the EXIT GUARD.  
He moans and stirs. STUBBS  
speaks into his beeper.

STUBBS: But we're almost on 'em sir.

MARSHAL'S VOICE: Then one of you -  
up here immediately. Out!

They look at one another ...

STUBBS: You stay here -

COTTON: (LOOKING AT BODY) Thanks ...  
Stubb's?

STUBBS: (GOING) Yeah?

COTTON: Someone's pinched his mask!  
(PAUSE)

STUBBS: I'll send some medics down to  
pick him up.

STUBBS goes off. COTTON bends  
over the GUARD, starts to give  
him first aid.

END TELECINE 4

14. INT. SEYBASE JAEGER'S LAB. DAY.

(DOCTOR WHO IDLY EXAMINING  
THE WALL CHARTS, RELIEF  
TABLEAUX, ATLASES, AERIAL  
AND INFRARED MAPS OF  
SOLOS ... A PLANET WITH  
A FAR GREATER LAND AREA  
THAN EARTH, OTHERWISE  
FAIRLY SIMILAR ...

JAEGER AT THE BENCH  
CONNECTING THE BOX TO  
A SERIES OF INSTRUMENTS ...  
HE IS IN A VERY BAD TEMPER...)

DOCTOR WHO: Not a very pleasant planet,  
this.

JAEGER: What?

DOCTOR WHO: Can't think why you people ever come here.

JAEGER: Thaesium, Doctor. This planet is one of the richest fuel sources in the Galaxy - or it used to be.

DOCTOR WHO: Deposits exhausted?

JAEGER: More or less.

DOCTOR WHO: So now you're going to colonise the planet in earnest - IF you can change the atmosphere.

JAEGER: That's my problem, not yours -

DOCTOR WHO: It does concern others.

JAEGER: Such as?

DOCTOR WHO: The Solonians. It is their planet.

JAEGER: Was Doctor. (SECOND THOUGHTS)  
It is 'Doctor' is it?

(DOCTOR WHO IGNORING  
THE DIG, PEERING AT  
THE WIRING)

DOCTOR WHO: I think you'll find ...

(CHANGING A COUPLE  
OF CONNECTIONS ROUND)

... that should hold the proton beam steady (A GLANCE) Professor -

(JAEGER ANGRILY,  
HAVING BEEN PUT DOWN)

JAEGER: Well, this whole thing is a senseless waste of time. "Particle reversal"? Nobody has ever achieved it -

DOCTOR WHO: On the contrary - my dear chap ...

(HE MAKES A FEW  
MORE ADJUSTMENTS)

I find it a very useful research technique. That should do it -

JAEGER: And what do you expect to happen?

DOCTOR WHO: (HAND ON SWITCH) I expect the particles to reverse ... the whole box will turn itself. (WITH A GESTURE) Inside out. What is on the outside will be on the inside and what is on the inside will be on the outside ... where we can see it.

JAEGER: Rubbish!

DOCTOR WHO: Watch -

(DOCTOR WHO PRESSES  
THE SWITCH: CSO:  
BRIEFLY, VERY BRIEFLY,  
THE BOX BECOMES A PILE  
OF OLD SCROLLS AND  
PARCHMENTS ETC ...  
THEN A BRIGHT FLASH  
AS A CIRCUIT BLOWS  
AND THE BOX IS A BOX  
AGAIN ... SMOKE RISING  
FROM THE WIRING ...)

## 15. INT. SKYBASE CORRIDOR. DAY.

(VARAN RUNNING ...  
A DOOR ... SOUNDS  
OF PURSUIT ... HE  
SMASHES THE DOOR  
OPEN ...

HE SLAMS THE DOOR:  
A SIGN ON IT -  
INSEEN TILL NOW  
READS ... STORAGE  
SECTION - NO UN-  
AUTHORISED PERSONNEL

TWO GUARDS ARRIVE,  
SEE THE DOOR BROKEN,  
MOVE INTO THE ROOM ...  
VERY CAUTIOUS)

## TELECINE 5:

Int. Cavemouth to Mineshaft.  
Day.

AS KY moves in to JO, we see  
that the cave is - or was - the  
entry to a mine rather than a  
natural cave ...

KY puts the mask over her  
face ... Still no sign of  
life ... He pumps her arms up  
and down ... The artificial  
respiration bit ...

At last JO opens her eyes,  
frightened at first to see KY  
bending over her. Both speak in  
whispers ... JO using the  
most as women in labour use  
gas-and-air, between speeches...

KY: Ssh -

JO: What is this place?

KY: A disused mine. One of many on Solos.

JO: I remember running -

KY: I should have left you.

JO: This mask?

KY: A guard's ...

JO: Oh.

KY: You won't need it while you're in here. But outside ...

Changing tack to avoid her gratitude.

JO: Well ... thanks anyway.

KY: You are from Earth - but you are not an Overlord?

JO: We came to help you. The Doctor -

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TELECINE 5 CONT:

KY: The Overlord with the box?

JO: For goodness sake -

KY: I am sorry. My people know Earthmen only as Overlords. It is difficult to think otherwise.

JO: The box was for you - that's why I followed you.

KY: Me - why?

JO: I don't know.

KY: Is it - weapons?

JO: I don't know.

KY: Who sent you?

JO: I don't .... You must ask the Doctor.

KY: How?

Pause. They look at one another... how indeed?

END TELECINE 5:

16. INT. SKYBASE, JAEGERS LAB. DAY.

(DOCTOR WHO FIDDLING  
WITH THE BLACKENED MISS  
OF WIRES: WATCHED BY JAEGER)

DOCTOR WHO: Always one or two snags at first-

(JAEGER SOMEWHAT AMAZED DESPITE HIMSELF)

JAEGER: But - but it worked.

DOCTOR WHO: Of course it worked.

JAEGER: But - it's theorectically impossible.

DOCTOR WHO: I don't suppose you saw what it was did you? Inside?

JAEGER: Not clearly...but the process....?

DOCTOR WHO: All over in a flash as they say -

(ENTER THE MARSHALL AND STUBBS)

MARSHAL: Varan?

DOCTOR WHO: What?

MARSHAL: Jaeger - have you seen him? Varan - the hunt?

DOCTOR WHO: A mutant? Here?

MARSHAL: He was heading this way - Jaeger!

(JAEGER STILL MORE INTERESTED IN DOCTOR WHO'S LASH-UP CIRCUITRY, TRYING TO TRACE IT BACK....)

JAEGER: No Marshal I haven't - more important things to do.

MARSHAL: So long as that mutt stays alive he's a menace to everybody on this ship. He was behind the assassination plot with Ky...

DOCTOR WHO: And now you say he's mutating?

(STUBB'S BLEEPER  
SIGNALS: HE LISTENS)

STUBBS: They've located him sir -

MARSHAL: Right Stubbs - you know what to do.

(STUBBS IS ABOUT  
TO GO, WHEN:)

DOCTOR WHO: I wonder -

MARSHAL: Well?

DOCTOR WHO: I'd rather like to go along on this ...hunt.

MARSHAL: Out of the question -

JAEGER: I'm sure the Doctor has good reason - he'd find it most interesting -

(THE MARSHAL CATCHES  
JAEGER'S EYE: OBVIOUSLY  
JAEGER HAS SOMETHING TO  
TELL THE MARSHAL, ALONE  
....)

MARSHAL: What?....Very well. Keep an eye on him Stubbs.

(STUBBS RUBBING HIS  
NECK WHERE THE DOCTOR  
HIT HIM)

STUBBS: I will sir.

MARSHAL: Get on then -

(STUBBS AND THE  
DOCTOR LEAVE.  
JAEGER AND THE  
MARSHAL ARE ALONE)

MARSHAL: Well?

JAEGER: (FLATLY) With that man's help I  
could have the whole atmosphere regeneration project operational within a week.

MARSHAL: (INCREDOULOUS) What?

JAEGER: I'm certain of it. He understands  
particle reversal. He could speed up  
the entire process.

MARSHAL: Then we must make sure he stays  
with us. Yes....His assistant is the  
key to that -

TELECINE 6:

Int. Cavernmouth. Mineshaft.  
Day.

By now JO is sitting up.  
KY is preparing to make  
a fire.

JO: How long before they track us here

KY: The caverns run for miles. They will  
never find us.

JO: Then neither will the Doctor,

KY: We must wait. My people will tell me when the Doctor comes.

JO: Your people?

KY: The dispossessed. The terrorists as the Overlords label them....

Pause.

KY: Tell me about the caverns of Earth.

JO: The what?

KY: The caverns. Where you live on Earth.

JO: I live in London.

KY: Ah - a sky city?

JO: No London. London-on-the-Ground.

KY: No. I have seen pictures of Earth. No one lives on the ground. The air is too poisonous.

He seems so certain,  
JO dare not contradict  
him....

KY: And soon Solos will be the same. The Overlords only promise Independence so that they can go on plundering our resources, turning our green fields into their grey slagheaps - am I not right? Is it not true?

~~Jo. I don't know.~~ It - It is a long time since I left ~~Earth~~.

KY: Once my people were farmers and nomads, now look at them: slaves in factories and mines... Already the pollution is causing mutations. Mutts as the Marshal calls them.... Mutts!

JO: What happens to them?

KY: They are hunted down. If they escape they hide in places like these.

A scuttling noise in the darkness of the cavern... echoing.... A glimpse of a Mutt.

END TELECINE 6:

17. INT. SKYBASE CORRIDOR, DAY.

(STUBBS HAS BEEN CONFERRING WITH THE TWO GUARDS WHO CHASED VARAN INTO THE STORAGE SECTION: HE RETURNS TO THE DOCTOR.)

STUBBS: Sure you want to come? Could be dangerous you know.

DOCTOR WHO: After you then, Stubbs....

(IN THEY GO)

## 18. INT. SKYBASE STORAGE SECTION. DAY.

(LONG CORRIDORS LEADING  
INTO VARIOUS ROOMS  
AND AREAS)

STUBBS: (CALLING) Varan? Varan - it's  
no use old son. Let's get it over with -

DOCTOR WHO: Get it over with? You mean  
shoot him in cold blood?

STUBBS: Only way.

DOCTOR WHO: How do you know?

(STUBBS CHOOSES NOT  
TO REPLY.....MORE  
PROWLING...)

STUBBS: Come on Varan. Varan? Make  
it easy on yourself....

(ON THE LAST WORD,  
VARAN HURLES OUT  
OF HIDING, CHARGES  
STUBBS DOWN....  
KNOCKING THE BLASTER  
FROM HIS HAND...)

VARAN: Varan is no mutt, Overlord....  
I am a warrior and I fight as a warrior!

(AS THEY FIGHT,  
THE DOCTOR SCRUBBLES  
FOR THE BLASTER...  
GLIMPSES OF THEM  
FIGHTING... VARAN  
GETTING MUCH THE BETTER  
OF IT...)

(THEN DOCTOR WHO  
WITH THE BLASTER:  
HE FIRES IT OVER  
THEIR HEADS.)

DOCTOR WHO: Stop!

(VARAN WRENCHES  
STUBBS ROUND  
TO USE AS A  
SHEILD)

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VARAN: One move and I kill him -

DOCTOR WHO: Kill, always kill ....  
here -

(HE SLIDES THE  
BLASTER ALONG  
THE FLOOR TO  
VARAN)

STUBBS: No Doctor -

( )  
DOCTOR WHO: Don't be a fool, Stubbs.  
Can't you see? No sign of any  
mutation ... Release him Varan -

(VARAN DOES SO BUT  
PICKS UP THE BLASTER)

STUBBS: But the Marshall said -

VARAN: The Marshal murdered my son.  
Now I take my revenge.

(HE LEVELS THE BLASTER,  
PULLS THE TRIGGER....  
NOTHING HAPPENS...)

DOCTOR WHO: Yes, I neutralised it.  
I think you'd better tell us your  
version Varan. We're your only chance...

(VARAN LOWERS THE  
USELESS BLASTER)

19. INT. SKYBASE, MARSHAL'S OFFICE.  
DAY.

(COTTON ON THE  
CARPET, TO  
ATTENTION....  
THE MARSHAL  
RIGGING ABOUT)

COTTON: (STIFFLY, EYES FRONT) I  
thought you knew sir; the guard's  
mask was gone when we found him.

MARSHAL: No Cotton - I did not  
know. I'm surrounded by incompetents!

COTTON: Sir.

(EXUSE)

Sir?

MARSHAL: Well?

COTTON: At least it means the  
girl is still alive.

MARSHAL: Yes Cotton, and Ky's got  
her, not us ... I want that girl  
found. Understand? One more thing -  
as far as this Doctor is concerned  
we've already got her.

COTTON: Sir?

(MARSHAL, WITH EXASPERATED  
PATIENCE, AS IF TO A  
STUPID CHILD)

MARSHAL: We've got her, Cotton.  
She is in hospital. On Solos. Right?

20. INT. SKYBASE. CORRIDOR TO MARSHAL'S OFFICE. DAY.

(DOCTOR WHO AND  
STUBBS HURRYING.

STUBBS STILL  
INCREDULOUS)

STUBBS: You mean his Nibs fixed up  
the whole thing - has the dministrator  
done in, then swung the blame on the  
natives.

DOCTOR WHO: That's right! You  
heard Varan.

STUBBS: Why?

DOCTOR WHO: The Natives of Solos  
want independence. My theory is,  
the Administrator was ready to give  
it.

STUBBS: So?

DOCTOR WHO: Where does that leave the  
Marshal?

STUBBS: Out of a job?

DOCTOR WHO: Exactly. But now the  
planet's under Martial Law - a  
'his nibs' as you call him means to  
keep it that way.

STUBBS: So what do we do?

DOCTOR WHO: ~~Keep Varan in hiding.~~  
~~Tell the Marshal he's~~ ?  
Then you can try and find proof  
of Varan's story about his son.

STUBBS: What about you?

DOCTOR WHO: I daren't move against  
him openly till I know about Miss  
Grant. I'll just have to play for time.

21. INT. SKYBASE. MARSHAL'S OFFICE. DAY.

MARSHAL: Ah Doctor - good news -

(SWINGS ROUND  
TO STUBBS)

and Varan?

STUBBS: He's been dealt with.

DOCTOR WHO: "Dealt with!" indeed.

MARSHAL: These mutts are a bigger  
menace than you know Doctor .....

(SMILE - WARNING  
GLANCE AT COTTON)

as Miss Grant will no doubt tell you.

DOCTOR WHO: You've found her then?  
When can I see her?

MARSHAL: Cotton?

COTTON: She's receiving - er - oxygen treatment ... in a day or so.

DOCTOR WHO: A day or so -

MARSHAL: Possibly longer. She was pretty far gone when Cotton found her.

DOCTOR WHO: And Ky?

MARSHAL: Ky left her to die Doctor ...

(GOING TO LEAVE)

The whole planet will remain under martial law until this fuss over the assassination has died down ... (TO THE DOCTOR ) Meanwhile Professor Jaeger could use you on a project of some urgency. It will pass the time -

DOCTOR WHO: Until you let me see Miss Grant you mean?

MARSHAL: (LEAVING) Exactly.....

## 22. INT. SKYBASE. JAEGER'S LAB. DAY.

(JAEGER IS EXPLAINING THE PROJECT TO THE DOCTOR WITH THE AID OF A SCREEN AND A JAMES-BURKE-LIGHT-PENCIL..... ON THE SCREEN THE GREEN AND BLUE BALL OF SOLOS ....)

JAEGER: What I propose to do is to bombard these layers of the atmosphere with ionisation rockets at these points.

(HE ILLUSTRATES HIS ACTIONS WITH RINGS FOR ATMOSPHERE LAYERS AND ARROWS FOR ROCKETS)

Once the preliminary disturbance has settled down, this will create a barrier against the ultra-violet rays which produce the poison mists.

DOCTOR WHO: More of a holocaust than a "disturbance" ....

JAEGER: What do you mean?

DOCTOR WHO: What you are proposing - correct me if I'm wrong - is an all-out rocket attack on a defenceless planet -

JAEGER: These aren't military rockets.

DOCTOR WHO: Try telling the Solonians that.

JAEGER: The technique was successful on Venus -

DOCTOR WHO: There were no people on Venus.

JAEGER: I don't understand your concern Doctor. The planet as it stands is no longer any use - it's mineral potential is just about exhausted, and we cannot use it for settlement until we have made the atmosphere breathable -

DOCTOR WHO: Even if it means wiping out every Solonian in the process?

JAEGER: Earth is fighting for its survival.

DOCTOR WHO: Earth is always fighting -

JAEGER: We need Solos.

DOCTOR WHO: Of course.

JAEGER: Besides I am a scientist not a politician or a would-be social worker. The side-effects are of no importance....

DOCTOR WHO: Genocide, as a side effect .... You should write a paper on it Professor -

JAEGER: Perhaps you have an alternative suggestion?

DOCTOR WHO: Perhaps.

JAEGER: Particle reversal no doubt? Your little forte?

DOCTOR WHO: Particole reversal is one way. Not as violent as yours, but the result would be the same.

JAEGER: The question is Doctor - can it be done?

DOCTOR WHO: We could try an experiment -

(ENTER COTTON)

COTTON: The Marshal wants to see you Professor.

JAEGER: Can't it wait?

(COTTON LOOKS STOLID)

COTTON: You know the Marshal.

JAEGER: Oh very well!

(EXIT JAEGER.

COTTON HANGS ABOUT, THEN...  
AS THE DOCTOR IS BUSY WITH THE BOX....)

COTTON: Sir? I've been chatting to Stubbs. He's kind of a mate of mine.

DOCTOR WHO: Oh?

COTTON: About Varan. And about Miss Grant.

(PAUSE.  
THE DOCTOR REALISES COTTON IS AN ALLY)

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DOCTOR WHO: How soon I get to see her?

COTTON: That's it, sir. You can't. We didn't find her.

DOCTOR WHO: What?

COTTON: As far as we know she's still with Ky.

(THE DOCTOR CONTEMPLATES  
THE BOY.)

DOCTOR WHO: I see ... Ky you say? And I've got to find both of them. Now how am I going to do that Cotton?

COTTON: All the guards have orders to stop you leaving this section -

DOCTOR WHO: Is there any other way to the transfer station?

COTTON: Fraid not sir.

(THE DOCTOR THINKS...)

DOCTOR WHO: Cotton - is there an emergency power supply to the transfer station?

COTTON: Yes sir. Er - why, sir?

DOCTOR WHO: What would happen if I blew the power supply for the whole of Skybase?

COTTON: Sheer chaos.

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DOCTOR WHO: Exactly. But if the emergency power to the transfer section were already switched over....

COTTON: You could slip away in the confusion.

DOCTOR WHO: Can you get the emergency power switched over?

COTTON: I can try sir -

(ENTER JAEGER)

JAEGER: Who told you the Marshal wanted to see me?

COTTON: He did sir.

JAEGER: Then one of you is mad Cotton!

COTTON: (LEAVING, ACTING STUPID) Oh. Yes sir. Sorry sir. Maybe he changed his mind sir.

(COTTON LEAVES)

DOCTOR WHO: I've been thinking Professor - we can set up an experiment to see if I'm right. About particle reversal.

JAEGER: Good.

DOCTOR WHO: We shall need to link up to the main power supply...

23. INT. SKYBASE. TRANSFER STATION. DAY.

(COTTON - TO GUARD -  
SHOWING A CLIPBOARD)

COTTON: Orders to check standby  
equipment ...

(THE GUARD STANDS BACK.  
COTTON REMOVES A PANEL  
AND SWITCHES FROM "MAIN"  
TO "STANDBY" ....)

24. INT. SKYBASE. STORAGE SECTION. DAY.

(THE DOOR OPENS -  
VARAN'S P.Q.V...  
STUBBS ENTERS...)

STUBBS: Varan? Varan -

(VARAN COMES OUT OF  
HIDING TO STUBBS)

Listen, We're going to try and get you  
off Skybase. Now when I go I shall  
leave this door open.

VARAN: How do I know this is not  
another Overlord trap?

STUBBS: (IGNORING HIM) When the time comes, you head for the Transfer Station ... But wait for the signal first. Got it?

VARAN: What signal?

STUBBS: You'll have them announce a power failure. That'll be your chance.

VARAN: And when will this signal come?

STUBBS: That's it - we don't know. You'll have to trust us Varan -

(C.U. VARAN, VERY SUSPICIOUS...)

25. INT. SKYBASE. JAEGER'S LAB. DAY.

(THE DOCTOR FINISHES OFF HIS WIRING)

JAEGER: But surely you'll overload the whole power supply?

DOCTOR WHO: Not a bit of it old chap. This modulator's utterly reliable ... But I'd be grateful if you could keep a very close eye on it -

(JAEGER OBLIGINGLY STANDS CLOSE TO THE HAIRY LOOKING HOME-MADE TANGLE OF WIRES AND DIALS ON THE BENCH)

Ready? (Cont'd ...)

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(JAEGER NODS.)

THE DOCTOR TUGGWS THE  
SWITCH.... WHINE TTTTT  
UP... AND UP ...

JAEGER LOOKS WORRIED)

DOCTOR WHO: (Cont'd) It's alright,  
it's alright. Just watch the centre  
dial -

(AS JAEGER DOES SO,  
THE CONTRAPTION EXPLODES  
AND KNOCKS HIM OUT...  
THE LIGHTS WAVER AND GO  
OUT.)

THE DOCTOR GOES TO THE  
CORRIDOR: ALL DARK THERE  
TOO.... HE GOES INTO  
CORRIDOR... CARRYING THE  
BOX....)

26. INT. SKYBASE. CORRIDOR. DARKNESS.

(AS THE DOCTOR  
FEELS HIS WAY:)

VOICE OF TANNOY: Skybase One....  
Emergency... Emergency.... We have  
power failure -

(A CRACKLE AND THE  
VOICE FADES....)

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27. INT. SKYBASE. STORAGE AREA. DARKNESS.

(VARAN MOVES OUT  
INTO THE CORRIDOR...)

28. INT. SKYBASE. CORRIDORS.

(THE DOCTOR MOVES ALONG,  
AVOIDING GUARDS)

29. INT. SKYBASE. TRANSFER STATION.  
AREA. DIMLY LIT.

(GUARDS RUSH ABOUT FRANTICALLY  
COTTON APPEARS ON THE  
SCENE, GLIMPSES THE  
DOCTOR IN HIDING)

COTTON: It's alright, Doctor ...  
it's me, Cotton -

(THE DOCTOR COMES UP ...  
COTTON PUSHES HIM  
TOWARDS A DIM LIT CUBICLE...)

That one -

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(AS THE DOCTOR GOES IN  
COTTON RUSHES OFF:)

30. INT. SKYBASE. CUBICLE. DIMLY LIT.

(AS THE DOCTOR REACHES FOR  
THE SWITCH HE IS GRABBED  
FROM BEHIND BY THE ENRAGED  
VARAN.

VARAN: Die Overlord!

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